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Dear Sir:

Because prosecution was re-opened following the filing of the appeal brief, applicant elects to avoid abandonment of the application by initiating a new Appeal by filing a notice of appeal under 37 CFR 41.31. In accordance with MPEP 1207.04 applicant requests that the previously paid a fee of \$510 be applied to the notice of appeal. The fee has not increased from the time it was originally paid.

Respectfully submitted,

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